# Jon "Derrick" Hartley

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### **PERSONAL**

Birth Year 1968 – Birmingham, AL

Salvation February, 1982

Married Leigh Ann Hartley, my high school sweetheart, August 17,

1991. Leigh Ann has a B.S. in nursing and is the head nurse for

Union County (GA) schools.

Children Two sons – Chance (wife Lorin), born 1997, and Cooper, born

2006.

One daughter – Clair, born 1998

Interests Sports, outdoors, reading, hiking

### **EDUCATION**

M.A. Christian Education New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary December 1992

B.A. Communication Arts University of Alabama at Birmingham August 1990

### **CREDENTIALS**

Licensed and ordained by Hilldale Baptist Church, Birmingham, AL June 1991

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### **EXPERIENCE**

- Minister of Spiritual Development, First Baptist Church, Blairsville, GA
   2016 present
- Pastor, Harvest View Church, Readyville, TN 2009 – 2016
- 3. Pastor of College and Missions Ministries, First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, AL 2007 2009
- 4. Minister to Students, First Baptist Church, Jacksonville, AL 2000 2007
- 5. Minister to Students and Activities, First Baptist Church, Roswell, GA 1997 2000
- 6. Minister of Youth and Education, Coosada Baptist Church, Coosada, AL 1993 1997
- 7. Minister of Music and Youth (part-time), Montpelier Baptist Church, Montpelier, LA 1991 1993

### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS AT CURRENT PLACE OF SERVICE – FBC BLAIRSVILLE, GA

- 1. Instrumental in developing a church-wide discipleship matrix.
- 2. Participated in designing a discipling/mentoring relationship with the senior pastor and other staff members utilizing the sermon planning/writing process.
- 3. Shared the weekly preaching duties with the senior pastor for four years.
- 4. Trained church leadership, including all staff, in the lifestyle of discipleship.
- 5. Implemented a church-wide discipleship emphasis called FBU (First Baptist University).
- 6. Created Wednesday night adult small group ministry with a discipleship emphasis.
- 7. Began and maintained a consistent church outreach emphasis.
- 8. Began and maintained a consistent church fellowship emphasis.
- 9. Instrumental in leading from one Sunday School followed by two simultaneous services to two services and two Sunday Schools.
- 10. Led efforts to move Sunday School online during the pandemic.
- 11. Participated in a county leadership training course resulting in a partnership with our city and county to do community events.
- 12. Served as the Interim Lead Pastor (beginning January 1, 2022 and ending August 1, 2022) during FBC's pastor search. This included all senior pastoral duties with the exception of weekly preaching (I did, however, preach on two occasions when the interim preacher was not available).

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### MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS WHILE SERVING AS SENIOR PASTOR – HARVEST VIEW CHURCH

- 1. After meeting in a school for 15 years, led our church plant through a capital campaign and the construction of its first building.
- 2. Developed church policies, an organizational structure and created leadership teams where there had not previously been any.
- 3. Led the leadership team of the church to develop a concise vision/mission statement providing a framework for all ministries at the church.
- 4. Increased community outreach by starting an annual VBS, Trunk R Treat,
  Thanksgiving food distribution for those in need, Easter Egg Hunts, movie nights and
  car shows.
- 5. Increased number of small groups.
- 6. Increased participation in all ministries and almost tripled Sunday morning attendance.
- 7. Led church to first mission trip to Honduras.
- 8. Continued to partner with the school where the church met for 15 years, by meeting with administration and participating in school sports, festivals, and activities. Also provide Christmas and any other support for children in need.

### **OTHER MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS**

- 1. Created ministry networks and joined with other ministers to unite our communities through prayer and activities.
- 2. Partnered with the Alabama State Board of Missions as an assistant to the Baptist campus minister at Jacksonville State University.
- 3. Served as a leader/facilitator for *Celebrate Recovery*.
- 4. Partnered with a NAMB missionary with the Navajo Nation to do mission work in New Mexico.
- 5. Served on the leadership team which guided FBC Jacksonville to become a two-campus church.

### STATEMENT OF CALL

I acknowledged and accepted God's call into full-time ministry the summer of 1989 when I was a student at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

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#### **MINISTRY MISSION**

I believe it is God's plan for all people to worship Him, study His word, and serve Him in the church and in the world. When we worship, we are doing what God created us to do. When we study God's word, we discover His plan and purpose for our lives. When we serve Him, we are showing God we love Him. I must model this with my life. I must be a disciple.

My desire is to serve a church that is passionate about the Gospel of Jesus Christ and sharing it with a lost world. I want to serve a church that is intentional in initiating meaningful relationships in order to lead people to a maturity in their faith. I want to lead people to commit to finding their place and purpose in the Kingdom of God. I want to serve a church whose members, along with me, are serious about cultivating their relationship with Him and each other. We must make disciples.

### **REFERENCES\***

Dr. Fred Lodge 282 Quail Forrest Circle Toccoa, GA 30577 (706) 781-8269

Dr. Al E. Haywood Pathway Christian Counseling 215 Blue Ridge Street, Suite E Blairsville, GA 30512 (478) 278-0173

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Rev. Ricky Powell First Baptist Church of Blairsville 296 Blue Ridge Street Blairsville, GA 30512 (706) 745-2469

<sup>\*</sup>More references available upon request.